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AMERICAN NIHILISTS.

GREAT DISCOVERY AT SAN FRANCISCO.

A Society Organized for the Assassination of the Leading Citizens of California—A Manufactory of Infernal Machines—Several Arrests Made—Other Crimes.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 16.—A most sensational and startling plot for the wholesale assassination of the most prominent men in this city came to light here last night. Some time ago the police obtained information of the existence of an organization called the "Socialistic Revolutionary Association," composed of ultra-socialistic members. A close watch was kept on their movements and the police finally succeeded in obtaining the minutes of one of their meetings held Nov. 23. From these it was discovered that it was the intention of the association to put out of the way about twenty men, including W. T. Coleman, Congressman W. W. Morrow, General Barnes, Mayor Bartlett, United States Judge Lorenzo Lawrence, Leland Stanford, Charles Crocker, Governor Stoneman, the principle police officials and several others.

These names were placed on the prospective list and placed in the hands of the executive committee to carry out the orders of the association. The committee were to devise the best mode of accomplishing the ends of the plot and were thus engaged when the word was brought to a sudden termination last night by the discovery of the association's headquarters by the police and the arrest of four men found in the room, named Julius C. Kosher, Henry Weisman, Charles Mittelstadt and Oscar Eggers.

In the room was also found a complete laboratory for the manufacture of infernal machines.

The men were taken to the city prison where they boldly asserted that they were dalmatians and proposed to get rid of the citizens named and then raise Chinatown. The prisoners also belong to the German branch of the anti-Cooly league. No charge is yet entered against. Further developments are expected.

Persecuting a Mayor.

Special Telegram to The Star.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 16.—Mr. J. V. Gilhouston, mayor of this city, who was indicted for extortion in office by the grand jury ten days ago, was tried in criminal court to-day. The charge was an old one, dating back some fifteen or twenty years. Mr. Gilhouston was accused of having charged exorbitant rates of the United States for any consider official of foreign countries.

The indictment was presented by the district attorney, Mr. Allison, who had no interest or received benefit from any foreign commercial or commercial officials of foreign countries.

Mr. Allison said there was no proof of any wrongdoing on the part of the mayor, but he was accused of having charged exorbitant rates of the United States for any consider official of foreign countries.

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Probabilities.

For this section: Fair weather, variable winds, mostly stationary temperature; the state of the thermometer Dec. 16, furnished by G. B. Lichtenberg, optician, 717 Main street:

Min., 35°; max., 50°; mean, 42°; 11, 55; 12, 36.

Mean, 5°; 1 o'clock, 9°; 4, 12°; 7, 15°; 10, 20°.

Same date last year—Min., 10; max., 19.

THE KANSAS CITY STAR is daily circulation for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 12, 1885 was as follows:

Monday, Dec. 7, 15,580

Tuesday, Dec. 8, 15,581

Wednesday, Dec. 9, 15,582

Thursday, Dec. 10, 15,583

Friday, Dec. 11, 15,584

Saturday, Dec. 12, 15,585

Total for the week, 92,923

Daily average for the week, 15,487

LOT SALISBURY has decided not to resign—at least not at present. The present Tory ministry will meet the new parliament and submit a plan for legislation. It is hoped that an alliance may be entered into with the Particularists and Whigs by which the ministry may be upheld and the Liberals thus kept out of power. It is doubtful if such a plan will be made, and the SALISBURY ministry will doubtless soon be voted out of power.

The debate in the senate yesterday on the proposition to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors brought out some very sensational statements from some of the senators. Mr. COCKFIELD said that the senate had frequently been compelled to adjourn because the drunkenness of certain senators obstructed business. Mr. FRYE quoted ex-Senators SIMON CAMERON and HANFORD HAMILIN as saying that twenty or thirty years ago it was not uncommon to see more than a quorum of that august body too drunk to attend to business. This is disgraceful information to the public, but its publication will be productive of good. The fact that the senate voted to prohibit the sale of liquors, however, shows that body is improving in morals.

MR. RANDALL's influence in the house seems to be steadily waning and in his efforts to prevent a revision of the rules he is making enemies of many of his old friends. His remark that a distribution of the appropriations bill would lead to gross carelessness and extravagance was most unfortunate and was happily answered by Mr. MORRISON when he said that such a condition could only arise when "members of the other committees were less intelligent, less honest, less vigilant, less capable of performing the duties that devolve upon them than the members of the appropriations committee." This put Mr. RANDALL, who is the embodiment of the appropriations committee, in the light of an ardent egotist and at the same time antagonized the members of all other committees which have handled appropriation bills. Altogether it was a very chilly day for the gentleman from Pennsylvania.

"Misfortunes never come singly," is an old adage that has been verified in Burnham recently. The King, THEEBAN, attempted to drown the empress of India. That lady sent a company or two of men and captured the "monarch" and landed him in jail. Now, as if tired of life and disgusted with the weakness of his royal master, the white elephant has laid down and died—died of a broken heart, no doubt—and the Burnenses are disconsolate. This was the genuine and original white elephant and was looked upon as a demi-god by the people of Burnham. He is said to have had many traits of character which would have been worthy of emulation by his royal ruler, one of which was the ability to keep sober for a stretch of two weeks at a time. Had the king been at home the great beast would have had a state funeral and a large number of the inhabitants of Mandalay would have been sacrificed to attend his spirit in the elysian fields. Moreover, his majesty would have had a good excuse for an abe-bodied sun. Owing to the unfeeling character of his British oppressors, however, the orgies will have to be postponed and Burnham will wall in sack cloth and ashes over the memory of departed greatness.

Our butter is adulterated, so is our flour, and grocers are accused of mixing sand with their sugar, and we are told that everything used in the kitchen has been tampered with. All but eggs. It was supposed we were safe on that article from the wiles of the inventive geniuses. But we were mistaken. When you cannot adulterate an article of food you may be able to counterfeit it, and that is possible with eggs as well as honey and other articles is now demonstrated. A firm in Newark have undertaken to beat the hen at her legitimate calling, and have offered their products at such low prices that the hen cannot hope to compete with them. The great hen raiser of Freeport, O., will now have to kill off all his veteran egg-producers and sell them to boarding houses for spring chickens, with which to tickle the palates of their epicurean patrons; or else he will have to get the president of the senate to appoint a returning board with power to go behind the returns and decide by a vote of eight to seven that the hen has rights which must be protected. This might at first appear somewhat difficult. The fact is, however, it would be very easy. New Jersey is always spoken of as a foreign country. Why not exercise the principle, championed by the Republican party for so many years, of a high protective tariff, and clasp such an import duty on the spurious henfruit as would amount to practical prohibition? This would be an easy matter for a returning board constituted as the last one was, and once more the Buckeye patriot would owe his salvation to that agency. This would also tend to strengthen the poultry market, as well as the standard of American labor, just like the tariff on wooden goods and iron does. There is no estimating the benefits to be derived from a high tariff when properly applied. Let the egg raiser be protected from foreign competition.

CHARITY—INSTITUTIONAL AND PERSONAL.

The mild season, not unreasonably expected after the severe winters of the last three years, begins to seem doubtful. And the poor people who have been hoping for it with its blessed immunities in the matters of food, clothing and shelter, and its opportunities for keeping on at the daily toll and earning the daily wages, will probably have to take up the battle once more against those keenest of poverty's enemies, cold and snow.

The question of charity, therefore, comes, or should come to the front for all prosperous and kindly people. Upon no conceivable theory of life which a man would not be ashamed to confess as his own, can this man be regarded as a minor one. Here in our midst are certain unfortunate, more or less, who are destitute of the absolute necessities of life. Some of them want work, and cannot get it, some of them could not work if they were given the chance. The sick and crippled, the widows with little babies in their arms, the worse-than-widowed wives and worn-out orphans, children of drunkards and scoundrels, all these must be cared for somehow, must have the blood kept running in their veins and some little fire of encouragement kindled in their hearts, that they may not lie down and die in our vacant lots and along our streets and alleys.

This is a question of very much more consequence than the holiday trade, or the boom

in real estate, or the clearing house reports, and we all feel it to be such. One genuine case of an honest man or woman, or a neglected child dying from cold or hunger in our midst would send a thrill of horror and self-reproach through the whole community. We should find little pleasure in the remaining columns of the newspaper which chronicled such an event, though they might be filled with brilliant accounts of our business prosperity. We should feel that a stain had come upon the fair name of our city; that she stood disgraced before the world. And rightly so, for there is no need that such a thing should happen. There is no such mass of poverty here that we cannot handle it. As compared with other places of the same size Kansas City is exceptionally free from the helpless poor. We have no such accumulated human wreckage as is to be found in older communities. We are quite able to succor all the honest wretches which exists here, to provide that no one shall freeze or starve or lie on a sick bed unmedicated and unattended.

The willingness and ability to take care of the poor in this city being granted the only question is as to how it shall be done, what agencies shall be employed, for we all know that mere lavish giving, and usually does defeat its own purpose, results in creating more poverty than relief. The "tramp" has by this time taught his lesson pretty thoroughly.

Heardless almsgiving gave birth to tramps and nurtured them, but after long abuse of their power they have killed it. People who give have learned that they must give carefully.

And because it either is or seems to be impossible for a good share of us to make due inquiry into the cases of such as appeal to us for benevolence, organizations have arisen which undertake that task, which offer to be our prudent almoners. The Provident association in this city is such an organization. With its past experience, its elaborate records, its judicious management, its trained staff, its interlinking with other charitable organizations, it can deal much more wisely than any private citizen with the greater proportion of the poor in this city, and while it is far less likely to be imposed upon by dishonest mendicancy, having had much experience with such, it has not become callous to the misery it is so well acquainted with. We are glad to be able to affirm that there is a real heart beating in this association, that its work is not done in a mere mechanical way. It does not forget that its first duty is to relieve misfortune, and that to discourage imposture is only its second. Therefore we can thoroughly commend the Provident association to the confidence and support of our citizens. We understand that its subscription list is meeting with good success. We hope it may find better and better as it goes along.

ANTICIPATE THE CABLES.

Why Invest in Real Estate Should be Known Once & All.

It certainly is an acknowledged fact that there never was a more auspicious time for the purchase of real estate in Kansas City than at present. Even the most plausible croakers are forced to admit that an investment in Kansas City real estate at this time is not only safe but sure of big returns. It is done with a clear conscience, and the broker who tampered with the ticket provided by the general managers would not be fooled with a very indirect way. The agreement of the ticket holder, the regular agents claim that he can give it away if he sees fit, and the regular agents cannot be held responsible. A broker can give it away if he sees fit, and the regular agents will be distributed. He thinks the debate on the money question will end to-day and that amendment under previous question will be taken up tomorrow. The committee generally desired that the issue of the bill should be settled this week so that the committees can be announced on Monday and a call of states and territories, for the introduction of bills, etc., will be adopted with minor changes.

Mr. Hiscock, of New York, of the committee on real estate, believes that the distribution of the bill will be delayed until after the session is over. The bill will be introduced on Monday, and the regular agents will be distributed. The committee's report would be distributed. Then he thinks the bill will be adopted.

Mr. Sprague, of Boston, has made a full study of the rules of the committee, and had a scheme for a new code before the committee, said to a United Press reporter this afternoon that he believed the report would be finally adopted, but that only a portion of the appropriation bills named in the committee's report would be distributed. Then he thinks the bill will be adopted.

"Mid pleasures and palaces though we may be, it is ever so humble, there's no specific pain like Salvation Oil. Price 25 cents a bottle.

Taken to the Hospital.

Louis Schmetz, the insane man taken to police headquarters last evening on the authority of Dr. Foster was taken to the hospital that morning.

"The most troublesome companion a person can have while being away from home, is a cough, and I would advise everybody to procure Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup before starting."

(Drummer.)

Oridental Opinion.

Professor of Indian Law, Dr. G. B. Lichtenberg, of the University of Missouri, has been appointed to the chair of Indian Law in the university.

He has heretofore been remarkably fortunate in his career, and the king of the Indies has now called upon him to defend his side of the case.

Notice.

Special attention is directed to the city as session's notice in legal column.

HOLLAND'S.

The Place to Buy Useful Christmas Presents.

It would fill a page of **THE STAR** to enumerate the bargains in Ladies', Girls' and Children's Shoes, Boots and Slippers, Overshoes, Men's Boys' Clothing, Overcoats, Silk Umbrellas, Shirts, Underwear, Silk Handkerchiefs, Gloves, Hosiery, Hats and Caps, etc., etc.

Remember: a beautiful chrome goes with every purchase till Christmas, at

HOLLAND'S SHOP AND CLOTHING STORE, 551 and 523 Main street.

From Major Downs, military instructor, West Point Academy, Sing Sing, N. Y. During the very cold weather I was suffering with catarrh. My head and throat ached so much that I was obliged to keep quiet. Ely's Cough Balsam was suggested to me an hour earlier, and I took it. I felt relief the pain began to subside. In a few days I was entirely cured.—W. A. DOWNS. Price 50 cents.

And yet, since we have undertaken to preach this lay sermon on charity, we would remind our readers that the best helping of the poor is not and cannot be done by any institution. All institutional charity lacks the inspiration of personal benevolence. Poor men and women are men and women still, and feel the contact with kindly men and women far more tenderly than that of the most philanthropic and best conducted organization. The heavy words and pleasant glance which sometimes go with a dollar may count for a good deal more in cheering up the recipient, in making him face his hardiness manfully, than the dollar itself. It is too much that most prosperous families should know well and all generously some one poor family each, and should do this benevolence in a friendly rather than a business way? We trust not.

Approaching heartily of institutional charity, we should nevertheless hold it to have more than good, it should supplement all personal visiting of the rich to the poor. For when we sum it all up the reason for helping the poor is that they are our brothers, and so the best way to help them is the most brotherly way.

A MURDER CASE.

Richard Edwards to Be Tried for the Killing of James Costello.

The cause against Richard Edwards, indicted for murder in the first degree, came up in the criminal court this morning and a panel of twelve was selected. The defendant takes his challenge to the jury and the trial will begin Friday evening.

The crime for which Edwards was indicted was the shooting and killing of James Costello, on April 8. The shooting occurred in the basement of the hotel where he was staying at the time of the killing. Edwards was found guilty of manslaughter and sentenced to prison for five years.

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To the Ladies!



Xmas and New

Years are near, and we wish to say to you, as well as the gentlemen, that we spread this ad. (with fine cuts of the leading Babies of this city), BEFORE you, to say we have a fine lot of Holiday Goods in Overcoats, Suits, Mufflers (Silk or Cashmere), Ear Muffs (for Ladies or Gents), Silk, Linen and Bordered Handkerchiefs, Collars, Cuffs, White Shirts, Night Robes, Sleeve Buttons, Scarf Pins, Neckwear, all kinds, for 25 cents to \$1.50; Kid Gloves, Buck Gloves, Woolen Mittens, at 25 cents, worth 50 cents; A LOT OF OIL TANNED Gloves at 25 cents, Gloves at 75 cents, Underwear from 75 brief, we are Gents' give a Waterbury Cash Purchase at \$12.00 nice Xmas boys. After De-giving Watch away. We are the Truth WITH - ONLY

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